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1. DURING A MEETING IN NADI 17 AUGUST (REFTEL)
PAUL DIJOUD, FRENCH SECRETARY OF STATE FOR OVERSEAS
TERRITORIES TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT FRANCE HAD NOT
WELCOME THE MAYOTTE ISLANDS' DECISION TO REMAIN A FRENCH
TERRITORY BUT COULD DO NOTHING ABOUT IT
SINCE THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION VOTED AGAINST
INDEPENDENCE. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES THE BEST
THAT FRANCE CAN HOPE FOR AT THIS POINT IS THAT THE MAYOTTE
ISLANDERS WILL NOT INSIST ON "DEPARTMENTALIZATION"
NAMELY THAT THE ISLANDS BE RECOGNIZED AND
INCORPORATED AS A DEPARTMENT OF FRANCE AND THAT WITH TIME
THEY WILL ACCEPT A CONFEDERATE STATUS IN THEIR RELATION
WITH THE COMORO ISLANDS.

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2. RELATIONS BETWEEN COMORO AND MAYOTTE ARE SLOWLY
PICKING UP SAID DIJOUD, AS EVIDENCED BY THE FACT THAT
COMORO MINISTERS NOW TRAVEL FROM MORONI TO MAYOTTE
EVEN IF ONLY ON PRIVATE VISITS TO SEE MEMBERS OF FAMILY
OR TO CONDUCT OTHER PERSONAL BUSINESS. HE SAW THIS
AS A HOPEFUL SIGN.

3. DIJOURD SEEMED AS PERPLEXED AS EVERYONE ELSE ABOUT THE
PRESENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN COMORO UNDER PRESIDENT
SHEIKH AHMED ABDALLAH SUPPORTED BY BOB DENARD ALIAS
MOUSTAPHA MAHDJOU AND HIS WHITE MERCENARIES.
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